COTTON CHATS

FROM

DRAPER COMPANY

SHIPMAN'S
COMMON-SENSE BINDER

PATENTED

JANUARY 19, 1892. APRIL 19, 1904

To open binder, remove the slides from fasteners raise the fasteners to an erect position and then file papers. For punching: lay the papers on covers and mark sheets to correspond with fasteners.

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By the Secretary of the

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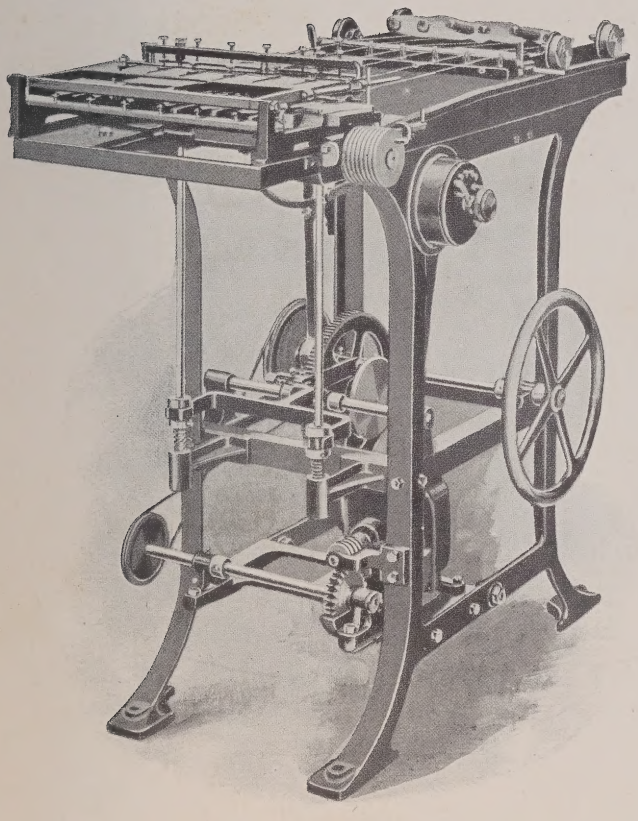

AUTOMATIC YARN TESTING.

We have recently sent out circulars explaining the merits of the Cook yarn testing machine made under the Moscrop patents and to be introduced in this country under our auspices. Those interested can communicate with us regarding price and other details.

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In 1900, according to the published census, there were 450,682 cotton looms in use in this country; in 1906, according to Dockham, 605,763. During this period we installed about 100,000 Northrop looms, which does not cover the total number in use, for we were selling looms for five years previous to 1900. It is evident that while we undoubtedly sold much more than a majority of the new plain looms introduced within that period, **we did not lessen the total number of common looms in use at all,** the trade still requiring just as many common loom weavers, although not so many as it might have required had we not entered the field. The laborers who feared to lose their jobs by the coming of the Northrop loom, thus had no real cause for worry. We are very well satisfied with the record as it is. We have increased our business as fast as conditions would warrant, and are assured of plenty of business for years to come by the large number of common looms still waiting to be changed.

We sometimes hear criticism because certain sections do not adopt our loom promptly or because certain large orders for new looms are still given to common loom builders. We could not, however, possibly build all the looms demanded, were the entire trade won over to our side. We simply try to find sufficient customers to employ our full facilities, and we are not called on to waste energy in convincing the stubborn, when we may find plenty who have more confidence in our representations, and more real knowledge of what the looms will do. What we say of this loom cannot affect the facts; **and the facts exist.** We make our sales where the loom is known, and the larger sales **to the people who have used it.**

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From Labor Bulletin of the Commonwealth of Mass., No. 48, I derive the following information:

Value of cotton goods increase in 1905 as compared with 1900:

North Carolina	$18,881,956	= 66.55	per cent. gain.
South Carolina	18,713,723	= 66.32	" "
Massachusetts	18,693,122	= 16.92	" "
Georgia	16,716,603	= 90.57	" "
Alabama	8,607,196	= 105.57	" "

The total value for the country was:

1900	1905	
$339,200,320	$450,467,704	= 32.80 per cent. gain.

In 1905 the division of value produced was as follows:

Massachusetts	28.68 per cent.	
Rhode Island	6.80	
New Hampshire	6.56	
Pennsylvania	5.36	
Connecticut	4.05	
Maine	3.42	
New York	2.98	
New Jersey	1.90	
Vermont	.24	59.99
South Carolina	10.97	
North Carolina	10.49	
Georgia	7.81	
Alabama	3.72	
All others	7.02	40.01

In 1900 the proportion in the above divisions was as 67.64 to 32.36, showing a decided increase outside the Northern States. The Fall River strike in 1904 naturally affects the figures more or less, since the years as quoted from the census mean the years ending with 1900 and 1905 respectively.

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In preparing a list of looms sold for our new Loom Catalogue, now in print, it is interesting to note the repeat orders as compared with our last catalogue which recorded sales to July 1st, 1905, just two years ago. There are 88 mills who **did** give repeat orders in that period. Those quoted below all increased over 200 looms each.

	INCREASED FROM	TO
Androscoggin Mills, Lewiston, Me.	204	413
Appleton Co., Lowell, Mass.	514	623
Atlantic Cotton Mills, Lawrence, Mass.	337	537
Borden, Richard, Mfg. Co., Fall River, Mass.	752	994
Cocheco Co., Dover, N. H.	116	1129
Dallas Mfg. Co., Huntsville, Ala.	895	1211
Everett Mills, Lawrence, Mass.	1024	1288
Fulton Bag & Cotton Mill	1088	1618
Grendel Mills, Greenwood, S. C.	498	798
Indian Head Mills of Ala.	200	700

	INCREASED	
	FROM	TO
Lanett Cotton Mills, West Point, Ga.	690	992
Laurens Cotton Mills, Laurens, S. C.	522	1222
Limestone Mills, Gaffney, S. C.	350	640
Lockhart Mills, Lockhart, S. C.	800	1604
Louise Mills, Charlotte, N. C.	152	564
Massachusetts Cotton Mills, Lowell, Mass.	493	956
Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co., Salem, Mass.	257	528
Rosemary Mfg. Co., Roanoke Rapids, N. C.	268	637
Pepperell Mfg. Co., Biddeford, Me.	1380	2814
Piedmont Mfg. Co., Piedmont, S. C.	640	1532
Poe Mfg. Co. (F. W.) Greenville, S. C.	12	764
Spartan Mills, Spartanburg, S. C.	1880	2590
Trion Mfg. Co., Trion Factory, Ga.	664	951
Utica Steam & Mohawk Valley Cotton Mills, Utica, N.Y.	14	282
York Mfg. Co., Saco, Me.	577	1375

The following mills also bought additional looms within the last two years:

	Making their total running and on order
The Amoskeag Mfg. Co., Manchester, N. H.	1381
Belton Mills, Belton, S. C.	1247
Blackstone Mfg. Co., Blackstone, Mass.	1184
Boott Mills, Lowell, Mass.	1178
Bourne Mills, Fall River, Mass.	2060
Easley Cotton Mills, Easley, S. C.	1020
Gaffney Mfg. Co., Gaffney, S. C.	1562
Gainesville Cotton Mills, Gainesville, Ga.	1076
Lonsdale Co., Lonsdale, R. I.	2125
Loray Mills, Gastonia, N. C.	1690
Monarch Cotton Mills, Union, S. C.	1000
Pelzer Mfg. Co., Pelzer, S. C.	2876
Victor Mfg. Co., Greers, S. C.	1428
Ware Shoals Mfg. Co., Ware Shoals, S. C.	1400

Among our orders from **new** customers are a few of special significance such as:

	Total Looms.
Arlington Mills, Lawrence, Mass.	240
Avondale Mills, Birmingham, Ala.	1000
B. B. & R. Knight, (Centreville Mill)	616
Burgess Mills, Pawtucket, R. I.	1294
Dan River Cotton Mills, Danville, Va.	416
Drayton Mills, Spartanburg, S. C.	502
Dwight Mfg. Co., Alabama City	300